

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 7891**  
Yoshimasa OKABE : Attorney Docket No. 2004\_1456A  
Serial No. 10/508,776 : Group Art Unit 2624  
Filed September 23, 2004 : Examiner Akililu Woldemariam  
  
IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS  
AND IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD : **Mail Stop: AF**

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated February 21, 2008, the period for response to which having been extended by three months to August 21, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In order to maintain pendency of the present application, a Notice of Appeal accompanies this response.